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# Motor Noise and Vibration Test Research

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## Abstrak

Banyak faktor seperti gesekan, getaran dan sebagainya dapat dihasilkan oleh gangguan serta derau tak normal dari motor. Berdasarkan deteksi dan analis dari derau dan getaran, kita dapat mengidentifikasi dan menghilangkan gangguan yang terjadi pada sebuah motor. Hal ini sangat membantu, tidak hanya dalam hal memastikan keberlangsungan produksi tapi untuk mencegah terjadinya kecelakaan. Dalam karya ilmiah ini, kami dengan ringkas dan jelas mengenalkan prinsip pembangkitan derau motor. Sebuah laptop dan program Lab View digunakan untuk merancang sistem percobaan yang bertujuan guna mendeteksi dan menganalisa getaran dan derau motor. Perangkat keras pendeteksi derau tersusun dari mikropon eksternal dan komputer dengan sound card. Perangkat keras pendeteksi getaran tersusun atas sensor getaran dan kartu akuisisi data. Program Lab Fiew dikombinaskikan dengan analisa FFT digunakan untuk membangun akuisisi sinyal, perekaman dan analisis spectral dari derau sinyal. Deteksi dan analisis derau yang berasal dari sebuah motor dc magnet tetap dan sebuah motor tak serempak tiga fasa membuktikan bahwa platform percobaan deteksi getaran dan derau motor memenuhi syarat untuk keperluan riset serta uji motor. Sistem deteksi dan analisis ini memiliki antar muka manusia-mesin yang baik dan mudah dioperasikan.

Kata kunci: motor, derau, lab VIEW, analisis spektrum, FFT

## Abstract

Some factors, such as friction, vibration, and so on, can result in the fault and abnormal noise in the motor. Based on the detection and analysis of noise and vibration, we can identify and eliminate the faults of the motor. This is helpful not only to ensure the completion of production tasks, but also to prevent accidents. In this paper, we briefly introduce the motor noise generation principle. A laptop computer and LabVIEW software are used to design the experiment system to detect and analysis the noise and vibration of motor. External microphone and computer with sound card constitute noise detection system hardware. Vibration sensor and the data acquisition card constitute vibration detection system hardware. LabVIEW software combined with FFT analysis is used to realize the noise signal acquisition, recording and spectral analysis. Detecting and analyzing the noise of the permanent magnet DC motor and three-phase asynchronous motor proves that the motor noise and vibration detecting experimental platform is fully meet the requirements of motor test and research. This detection and analysis system has a good man-machine interface and strong operability.

Keywords: Motor, Noise, Vibration, Lab VIEW, spectrum analysis, FFT

## 1. Introduction

At present, the motor is the main power in the industrial and widely used in social production [1-2]. When the motor works, it brings noise, the motor vibration and noise problem will cause vibration and noise problem of related products, which may affect product quality. Motor noise and vibration research is very complex, involving the electromagnetic, mechanical vibration, acoustics, mathematics and many other disciplines. In general, the noise of analysis is more difficult than vibration analysis, and the motor of the complexity also increased the difficulty of research.

With the development of the virtual instrument technology, a virtual test system constructed by virtual instrument software has been becoming a trend in recent years [3-7]. The permanent magnet DC motor and three-phase asynchronous motor as the object in this paper, using the Lab VIEW software to research the system noise and vibration problems.

# 2. Motor Noise Mechanism Analysis

When the motor operates, there are usually multiple noise sources at the same time. They can be divided into three categories [8]:

- (i) Electromagnetic noise: When power is applied to the motor, there are electromagnetic force in the air gap between the stator and rotor. This will generate rotational torque wave or pulse wave and cause the vibration of the motor and emit noise. This type of noise is called electromagnetic noise. The amplitude and frequency of electromagnetic noise are influenced by the motor air gap within the harmonic magnetic field in the air gap of the motor, the amplitude of the electromagnetic torque, frequency, and the number of poles and the vibration characteristics of the stator.
- (ii) Mechanical noise: mechanical noise is mainly caused by the bearing and brush of the motor. The mechanical noise is related to the materials, manufacturing quality and the assembly process of the motor.
- (iii) Air dynamic noise: It is produced by the cooling fan in the motor. The influence factors include the fan type, the import and export structure design of the fan and ventilation. In high speed motor, air dynamic noise is the dominant noise.
  - Here, noise classification is give out in Table 1 [9].

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Main frequency	Noise classification	Reason		
F = 2KHz ~ 5KHz has obvious peak	The noise and vibration of bearing	The poor quality of the bearing itself; Bearing, bearing chamber with improper		
F = 1KHz~2KHz has obvious peak	Bearing axial vibration and noise	Motor without axial elastic device or device defect; Motor process of poor quality; Bearing raceway curvature radius is small		
F = 500Hz~1KHz has Resonance noise obvious peak		Electromagnetic vibration harmonic resonance		
F = 50Hz~500Hz has obvious peak	Axial pneumatic noise	No axial elastic device or device quality problems; The processing quality of deviation; Eccentric bearing, Outer sphere does not rule or a scar		

# 3. Motor Noise and Vibration Test System

# 3.1. Noise Detection Hardware

The noise test system is constructed by a microphone and a laptop as shown in figure 1.



Figure 1. The hardware of noise testing system

## 3.2. Noise Detection Software

LabVIEW can help users quickly realizing the real time signal acquisition [10], analysis and display. The LabVIEW noise acquisition and analysis procedure consists of (here, list maim module) as shown in Figure 2.



Figure 2. The LabVIEW graphical noise program

## 3.3. Vibration Test Hardware

Data acquisition card is a hardware of motor vibration signal detection system, the experiment system of selection of Beijing 's Altai USB5935 type data collector [11-14]. It has the advantages of small volume, light weight, high sensitivity and wide frequency range and so on, so it is widely used in actual measurement. Vibration detecting hardware as shown in the Figure 3.



Figure 3. The hardware of vibration testing system

## 3.4. Vibration Test Software

Vibration detecting software as shown in the figure 3.



Figure 4. The LabVIEW graphical vibration detection program

# 4. Experiment

## 4.1. Noise Experiment of The Permanent Magnet DC Motor

In order to ensure that the measurement error is less than 1dB, the laptop is located at opposite the tested motor center position and the horizontal distance is about 0.5 m [15].

The test motor is an electric vehicle permanent magnet DC drive motor. The basic parameters are listed as follow:

Rated power	: 1000 W
Rated voltage	: 48 V
Rated speed	: 650 r/ min
Rated current	: 26 A
Weight	: 10kg
Geometric size	: 19.5cm x 42.5cm
Cooling method	: fan cooling.
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Before we test the working noise of the motor, we must know the environment noise. The noise of the experimental environment is shown in Figure 5. From Figure (b), we can see that the maim frequency component is located at about 90Hz. The peak is about 190dB.



(a) Time-domain waveform of the environment noise



(b) Frequency spectrum of the environmental noise

## Figure 5. The environmental noise

After we know the frequency component of the environment, we add the power on the motor. In one minute later, the motor is into its steady state and we test the noise waveform. Then we turn off the power, the motor continues to rotate for a short period. We type the noise wave form this period.

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This waveform is the mechanical noise and environmental noise [16-17]. Because we have known the environmental noise, we can obtain the electromagnetic noise and mechanical noise easily.

500

400

300

200

100

0

0

500

Amplitude/dB



(a) Permanent magnet electromagnetic noise of the motor domain map







Frequency

1000

1500

2000

2500



(d) The frequency spectrum of the permanent magnet motor mechanical noise



Figure 6 gives out the running noise of the permanent motor. Figure (a) gives out the time domain waveform of the electromagnetic noise. Figure (b) gives out the frequency spectrum of the electromagnetic noise. There are plentiful frequency components distributed in the frequency of 50Hz ~2500Hz in electromagnetic noise. The peak frequency is at about 900 Hz and the peak is about 320 dB.

Figure (c) gives out the time domain waveform of the mechanical noise. Figure (d) gives out the frequency spectrum of the mechanical noise. The peak frequency components are at about 90 Hz and the peak is about 230 dB.

## 4.2. Noise Experiment of Three-Phase Asynchronous Motor

The experimental motor is a Y90S-4 three-phase asynchronous motor. The basic parameters are listed as follow.

: 110 kW
: 380 V
: 1400 r/min
: of 2.8 A
de : star connection
: 22 Kg

# The humidity of the environmental is 20% and the temperature is 22<sup>0</sup>. Figure 7 gives out the electromagnetic noise and mechanical noise of the three-phase asynchronous motor.



(a) Electromagnetic noise time-domain waveform of the three-phase asynchronous motor



(b) Three-phase asynchronous motor electromagnetic noise spectrum analysis diagram



(c) Three-phase asynchronous motor mechanical noise time-domain graph



(d) Three-phase motor mechanical noise spectrum analysis diagram

Figure 7. Three-phase asynchronous motors running noise

From Figure (b), we can see that there are three parent frequency component at 900 Hz, 1400 Hz and 1700 Hz. The peaks of this frequency are 270 dB, 420 dB and 410 dB separately. There are plentiful frequency components during 1000Hz ~1500 Hz and 1500 Hz ~2200 Hz.

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From Figure (d), we can see that there are two parent frequency component at 970 Hz and 1550 Hz. The peaks of this two frequency are 300 dB and 200 dB. From table 1 we can see the noise mainly is the axial bearing noise.

## 4.3. Permanent Magnet DC Motor and Three-Phase Asynchronous Motor Vibration Test

The acceleration sensor is affixed to the motor casing, testing the motor shell vibration, two kinds of motor vibration test results as shown in figure 8.





(a) The vibration signal time-domain waveform of permanent magnet DC motor

(b) The vibration signal time-domain waveform of three-phase asynchronous motor



spectrum analysis diagram

vibration spectrum analysis diagram



Figure 8 are the two kinds of motor in the range of 0-200Hz waveforms. Figure (c) and figure (d) are the collected vibration signal waveforms graph after FFT analysis, these two graphs have different frequency of peak. From figure (c) we can see there has a peak in f=100Hz, from figure (d) we can see that the peak of 25Hz frequency is 2600dB.

From the two kinds of motor time-domain waveforms, we can see that the three-phase asynchronous motor have more stable operation, smaller vibration compare with the permanent magnet DC motor.

## 5. Conclusion

Motor noise and vibration test based on virtual instrument has a very good application prospect. The work of the test system is controlled by LabVIEW.

The vibration and noise of permanent magnet DC motor is caused by the unbalanced magnetic force of switching coil, and also caused by the electromagnetic vibration of the coil. The coil of the permanent magnet motor is 3 phase in general, most of the switching time is a square wave or PWM wave [18]. The magnetic field strength of the switching time will produce large fluctuations, which causes the vibration of the motor and the electromagnetic noise.

The factors of the causing noise and vibration of the thee-phase asynchronous motor includes fundamental magnetic flux, high-order harmonic of the electromagnetic noise, electromagnetic imbalance and mechanical imbalance [19].

The noise and vibration test system can be used to evaluate the condition of different motors.

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